

SOCIETY

"Thrice the brinded cat hath mewed
Thrice—and once the hedge pig
whined.
The harper cries, 'tis time! 'tis
time!"

"Tis time" indeed to keep the triple vigil of All Saints eve. The charmed time when grave yards are tenanted and sportive spooks are given a forlough to rampage about on earth—in Albuquerque. Of course not one single person in town is superstitious—of course not. Yet even the bravest of the politicians will just now chill and turn pale—"even as you o'er"—if the dreaded black cat crosses his path. How many office seekers will emulate Macbeth and invoke the magic of the witches to read their post-election fates? How many are conscious of the ghostly death-dead at the political feasts, which Banquo has "will not down" but which each aspirant fondly hopes is haunting his opponent rather than himself? Only after the seventh of November will the apparition be seen in all his ghastly ugliness, and then can the hooded, vanquished sympathize with the dark who described the nocturnal visit of the Ku Klux. Ya see, I send de Ku Kluxes Day was talled dan de coke house. Day drunk a whole creek full of water. An doah eyes squinted full plum evash de creek onto me. No such. I sin nevah gwine tendu de Ku Klux no moosh.

But, as Samantha Allen says—"no reason backwards"—the vigil of Hallowe'en is to be duly, perhaps excessively kept in Albuquerque this year. The atmosphere is in clammy dampness already reeks with the incense disturbance of onswearing ghosts. Could anything else have caused the unwholesome rain? At midnight's holy hour next Tuesday night not an unwelcomed maid will appear to the attack by some witchcraft and wrost the prophecy of the future from its hating place. One year two convert girls of this city kept the midnight vigil of All Hallowe'en eve by putting into water lighted by a pale moon that sat chill and gingers of the sky's edge. They wished to see the faces of their future mates. Just on the stroke of twelve two ghosts—real ones—rose gaunt and groaning from the shrubbery of a nearby family burying ground. The narrow in spines of the love-born maid was distill'd to ley jolly, yet they succeeded in raising considerate dust—and reaching home. The sequel was a marriage of one of the ghosts with the girl he had alighted. But, mind you, the phantoms are not waiting for Hallowe'en this year. They are already in our midst, and the social procession is making room to give them the right of way for several nights revel.

Second only to the spook parties are the series of card parties which continue to engage the attention of elite society. Series is the watchword, and in every block in the west side are seen small gatherings of card players empowered in autumn blossoms, enjoying life at its fullest. The social cue is full and running over. Never has there been so many diversions and so happy an aggregation of society folks as in Albuquerque this autumn. The series at the same of Mrs. Herndon, the Rosenwald series, the Bryan and Weller series, and the series at the home of the Misses Lee are all that the most fastidious social connoisseur could desire. The coming month society is to be stirred with two big weddings. That of Miss Grunfeld and Mr. Rothberger at the Alvarado hotel November 22 and the earlier wedding of Miss Stateson and Mr. Jacob Yrisari is to be another initial event with all the thrills and universal interest inspired by such happy occasions in the meantime. ghosts hold the boards and are walking "when the air bites cold at midnight."

Reception for Bride-Elect.
Taking precedence over most of the affairs of the season is the elaborate reception this afternoon complimentary to Miss Alberta Stateson who is soon to wed Mr. Jacob Yrisari. The hostesses were Mrs. Yrisari and Miss Yrisari, and the guests comprise the "four hundred"—if not in round numbers, the best and aristocracy of the city. Amidst a profusion of rich red blossoms, palms, ferns and festooning of smilax adorning the spacious parlors, the guests greeted the hostess, honor guest and assisting hostess, listened to the inspiring music by the Di Mauro orchestra, exchanged the pleasanties of the day, were regaled on embossed punch and choice hors d'oeuvre, and lastly wishing the Yrisari ladies would entertain every week in the year. Following is the list of invitees and ladies who assisted:

Missances J. Ackerman, G. Albright, W. Anderson, N. T. Armijo, T. Mrs. Rosenwald at Home.

The second in the series of afternoon functions presided over by Mrs. David Rosenwald yesterday afternoon was an affair "par excellence" attended by another contingent of half a hundred of Albuquerque's select dames, arrived in nobby autumn gowns. Five hundred was the game and resulted in first honor for Mrs. McLaughlin, and second place to Mrs. Barth. Featured with chrysanthemums the decorations were most attractive. The inviters were Misses Ivan Grunfeld, Alfred Grunfeld, A. Grunfeld, A. Kempenich, Wade Weinman, Jake Weinman, J. W. Elder, Chadrubin, Pearce, Hook, Barth, Walton, Springer, Clarke, McDonald,

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Mrs. Stroup Entertains.
Two social afternoons this week were enjoyed by groups of congenial friends at the home of Mrs. A. B. Stroup. Thursday afternoon the pastime was needlework which was in every sense a pastime rather than the work this occupation is too often made. Gorgeous yellow chrysanthemums offset by the green of potted ferns decked the room in tasteful arrangement. Twenty needle artists were the guests at the thimble party. This afternoon twenty-five invitees are enjoying five hundred at the hospitable Stroup home.

Bryan Series.

Another of the weekly functions, replete by informality and wholesome gaiety marking all the delightful affairs rendered by Mrs. R. W. D. Stroup, was the Thursday afternoon diversion when five hundred claimed the attraction of the guests. Though only four tables were used for the game, yet the decorative appointments and luncheon could not have been more handsome if the list had been five times the number. Chrysanthemums of the choice yellow variety dominated the floral arrangement in the parlors where the game progressed merrily till announcements were made that Mrs. Bronson had won the first prize, a dainty vanity bag, and Mrs. Strickler the fancy work bag of handkerchiefs and lace.

Misses Lee Entertain at Cards.

Small in numbers but exquisitely elaborate in beautiful appointments and large in enjoyment was the card party Thursday afternoon when Misses John and Lou Lee entertained. Three tables of bridge and one table of five hundred at which the happy guests whiled away brief hours were decked in the fragrant blossoms which also adorned the rooms in lavish profusion. These choice roses, the autumn flowers, were the product of the Lee conservatory and lawn. At each table there was given a prize, each gift being a late book of popular fiction.

Birthday Celebration.

Wholly unostentatious, yet distinctly aesthetic and beautiful in the prettily appointed lavender decorations was the friendship party given by Mrs. W. Y. Walton in commemoration of her birthday anniversary Tuesday afternoon. A coterie of eleven old time friends was the company of this happy occasion when the hostess was the recipient of a wealth of felicitations and numerous dainty gifts expressive of heartfelt regard.

Mrs. Pollock at Home.

The members of Lew Wallace chapter of the D. A. R. were this afternoon the guests of Mrs. Robert Pollock at the regular monthly meeting of the chapter. The relation of anecdotes founded on facts of the Revolutionary war was a part of the afternoon's diversion, that culminated in mutual social pleasure and a dainty luncheon.

Ten Dons Banquetted.

The second of the autumn meetings of the Ten Dons occurred Tuesday evening when Prof. A. B. Strong was host to the members of this corps of brahy men. Besides the membership present were Honorees, Dr. P. G. Cornish and Prof. John Milne. A dinner, excellent in point of cuisine, service and decoration preceded the main purpose of the evening, viz., the discussion of current topics. The subject on this occasion was "The Blue Ballot" presented ably by Mr. A. B. McMillen whose paper was followed by general discussion.

Guild Tea a Success.

Perhaps the greatest number who have yet attended the popular socials to the ladies of the St. John's guild enjoyed their hospitality at the home of Mrs. M. H. Sabine Thursday afternoon. A prodigal profusion of rare chrysanthemums with contrasting greenery in trailing vines prettily established the interior of the Sabine home that spacious as it is, seemed all too snug to accommodate the throngs of parishioners and visitors at the delightful tea.

Thirty Club Soiree.

No dance nights are being missed by the Thirty club—these coolish nights when weather is ideal for the pastime. Next Wednesday evening in Odd Fellows' hall the club and the persons for whose sake the club was organized will spend a half night dancing. The following week the club will attend the "Inside Inn" in a body and enjoy the play as only an up-appreciative Thirty clubites can.

Eckington-Eaton Marriage.

A quiet wedding uniting the lives of a northeastern girl and a southwestern man occurred Wednesday at noon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McGaffey. Miss Louise Eaton arrived in the city from Boston the same morning and was met at the station by her fiance Mr. Robert H. Eckington, N. M. By pre-arrangement the nuptial rites were read by Dr. Tolbert of the Congregational church in the parlor of Mr. and Mrs. McGaffey, who with Mr. Weeks of Thoreau were witnesses to the solemnly impressive scene. Mr. and Mrs. Eckington left Wednesday evening for Thoreau to reside where Mr. Eckington is an attaché of the McGaffey company.

Signs Tau to Entertain.

For the first time in several weeks the unbroken trend of hard study will be snapped at the University Tuesday night by an entertainment which will be tendered in the honor of the Phi Mu sorority by the Sigma Tau fraternity, which will take the form of Hallowe'en party. Various surprises are in store for the invited guests, and a merry evening is expected.

Cartwrights in Canada.

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